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In re Application of :
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This is in response to applicant's petition filed August 22, 2003, to make the above-identified application special under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(d), based on applicants who are small entities having applications relating to biotechnology.

Applicants have satisfied the provisions set forth in M.P.E.P. 708.02, XII (A), (B), and (C). Therefore, the petition is **GRANTED**.

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